



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 9671**  
Makoto NISHIMURA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003\_0976A  
Serial No. 10/620,611 : Group Art Unit 3725  
Filed July 17, 2003 : Examiner Teresa Bonk  
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR WORKING TUBE **Mail Stop: Amendment**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:


Petition hereby is made for a three month extension of time to respond to the communication of August 29, 2007.

The fee of \$1,050.00 is

- ☒ submitted herewith.  
☐ to be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0975. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.  
☐ Small entity status of this application is established by a Small Entity Status Assertion which  
☐ is enclosed.  
☐ has been previously submitted.  
☐ has been previously asserted.

Respectfully submitted,

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